

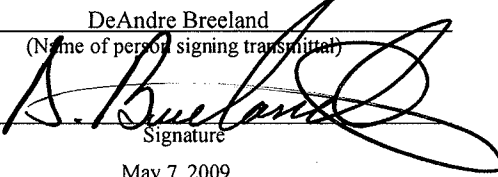
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 16, 2009, having a three-month shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on June 16, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follow. Applicants submit this response within the two-month date of May 16, 2009.

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**Listing of Claims** begins on page 3 of this paper;

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 11 of this paper and include both attached replacement sheets showing changes.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.

**An Appendix** including Replacement Sheets and Annotated Sheets is attached following page 15 of this paper.